

**House File 2146 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the use of RISE funds for improving  
2 or maintaining highway access to residential housing  
3 developments.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 315.3, subsection 1, Code 2014, is  
2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:

3 NEW PARAGRAPH. g. Improving or maintaining highway access  
4 to residential housing developments.

5 Sec. 2. Section 315.11, Code 2014, is amended by adding the  
6 following new subsection:

7 NEW SUBSECTION. 8. If the project provides access to  
8 a residential housing development, the extent to which the  
9 affected housing development supports the growth of existing  
10 businesses and the attraction of new businesses in the  
11 surrounding area.

12 EXPLANATION

13 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
14 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

15 The revitalize Iowa's sound economy (RISE) fund is  
16 appropriated by law to be used in the establishment,  
17 construction, improvement, and maintenance of roads and streets  
18 which promote economic development in the state. The state  
19 transportation commission selects projects to receive full  
20 or partial funding based on certain factors and requirements  
21 established in current law.

22 This bill provides that RISE funds may be awarded for a  
23 project that has the effect of improving or maintaining highway  
24 access to a residential housing development. The extent to  
25 which an affected housing development supports the growth of  
26 existing businesses and the attraction of new businesses in  
27 the surrounding area is added to the list of criteria to be  
28 considered in the selection process for qualifying projects.